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Request from: CLF and Acadia Center

Question:

(Performance-based Regulation) Refer to Docket No. 26-05-10, CLP Rate Case Table of Contents. Please confirm whether or not the Company filed a Comprehensive Integrated Distribution System Plan Filing, as that term is used in the RE03 Proposed Final Decisions. If the answer is no, please explain why the Company decided not to file in this docket.

Response:

The Company did not file a Comprehensive Integrated Distribution System Plan as that term is used in the RE03 Proposed Final Decision for several reasons;

1. PURA had not yet reached a final decision on the IDSP, at the time that the Company made its rate filing.

2. PURA has not yet addressed cost recovery, nor issued a proposed final decision on Docket No. 21-05-15RE01.

3. PURA has not yet given a final indication as to its intentions with respect to the newly opened proceedings on the NWA Docket No. 26-04-27.

Additionally, as the EDCs emphasized in joint written exceptions filed August 28, 2025, the PURA IDSP framework is unworkable in its current format with respect to the timeline, process and alignment with existing planning schedules and other regulatory requirements imposed by PURA

Without resolution to these issues, the Company is not in a position to file an IDSP. The Company provided a detailed TSP that encompasses similar information (please refer to OCC-566[i], for a mapping), but does not contain items that require additional funding, such as the stakeholder outreach or advanced planning, for which PURA's approvals are required.

Prior Referenced Response:

[i] OCC-566 Question:

In Exhibit CLP-TSP-1, Page 13, Eversource notes the following: "*The purpose of our joint testimony is to present CL&P's 5-Year Targeted System Performance Plan (the "TSP Plan" or the "Plan"), covering the planning horizon*

for operations and investment on the Company's distribution system over the timeframe of January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2031. A summary narrative of CL&P's State of the System report providing a foundational perspective on the 5-Year Plan is provided herewith as Exhibit CLP-TSP-2. In addition, a detailed presentation of the 5-Year TSP framework is presented as Exhibit CLP-TSP-3."

The proposed decision issued on July 17, 2026, in Docket 21-05-15RE03, lists the following content items for inclusion in an IDSP document:

a. Executive Summary - identifies key points from each section of the document;
b. Planning Policy – discusses relevant state and local goals and policies that inform grid planning;
c. Current State of the System – provides an overview of existing grid conditions including but not limited to capacity, reliability, and DER integration issues;
d. IDSP Methodology – explains the planning methods used to produce the IDSP;
e. Stakeholder Engagement and Social Equity – specifies how stakeholders participate in the IDSP process, as well as social and environmental equity considerations;
f. Load Forecasting – consists of all components of peak load;
g. Grid Needs Assessment – consists of various capacity, reliability, and resiliency analyses substantiating investment needs;
h. Solution Selection Process – provides the criteria and methods used to identify, assess, compare. and select both traditional and non-traditional grid capital investments for implementation;
i. Capital Investment Plan – lists, prioritizes, and describes all planned
j. investments for a ten-year planning horizon; and
k. Long-Term Strategic Plan – provides an overview of strategic plans for the grid beyond a ten-year planning horizon.

For each of the content items above, please share what aspects of the submitted TSP Plan represent information that would be included in each of the proposed IDSP sections.

Please include exhibit and slide or page numbers for any content that would belong in each of the content sections.

OCC-566 Response:

For the purpose of answering this question, the Company is assuming that the IDSP referenced in the question is as described in PURA's proposed final decision issued on July 17, 2026, in Docket No. 21-05-15RE03, and as proposed and discussed by the EDCs in Technical Meetings #10 to #12. As designed therein, the IDSP is intended to be a cohesive, strategic plan for ensuring safe, reliable and resilient electric service for all customers while supporting state clean energy and decarbonization goals. Given the scope of the proposed IDSP, with expanded requirements for analytics, stakeholder engagement and review, the EDCs expressed concerns about the timeline, process and specific elements in Written Comments and Technical Sessions. Consequently, the TSP Plan aligns generally with the IDSP content, particularly in terms of the state of the system and investment plans to address current and projected needs, while also reflecting practical differences.

More specifically, the TSP aligns with proposed IDSP sections, as follows:

a. Executive Summary - identifies key points from each section of the document;

   Please refer to:
   Exhibit CLP-TSP-1
   Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 3-7

b. Planning Policy – discusses relevant state and local goals and policies that inform grid planning;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-2: Page 20-21

c. Current State of the System – provides an overview of existing grid conditions including but not limited to capacity, reliability, and DER integration issues;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-2
Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 13-38

d. IDSP Methodology – explains the planning methods used to produce the IDSP;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-2: Page 9-20, 24-28
Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 33-34, 83-92, 96-120, 138-139, 141-149

e. Stakeholder Engagement and Social Equity – specifies how stakeholders participate in the IDSP process, as well as social and environmental equity considerations;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-ELP-1: Page 19, 29

f. Load Forecasting – consists of all components of peak load;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-2: Page 20-24
Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 18-20, 91-92, 138

g. Grid Needs Assessment – consists of various capacity, reliability, and resiliency analyses substantiating investment needs;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 51, 56-81, 93-95, 102-106, 114-120, 142-149

h. Solution Selection Process – provides the criteria and methods used to identify, assess, compare. and select both traditional and non-traditional grid capital investments for implementation;
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 88-90

i. Capital Investment Plan – lists, prioritizes, and describes all planned investments for a ten-year planning horizon.
Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-1: Page 40-72;
Exhibit CLP-TSP-2: Page 46-48;
Exhibit CLP-TSP-3: Page 7-12, 45-81, 102-105, 107-149

j. Long-Term Strategic Plan – provides an overview of strategic plans for the grid beyond a ten-year planning horizon.

Please refer to:
Exhibit CLP-TSP-2: Page 20-21